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E.O. 11652: XGDS1  
TAGS: PINT, IT  
SUBJ: LOCKHEED CHARGES AGAINST SENATOR GUI

1. AT HIS REQUEST, DC SENATOR LUIGI GUI (FORMER DEFENSE MINISTER EMBROILED IN THE LOCKHEED AFFAIR) CALLED ON THE AMBASSADOR JUNE 21. GUI AND OTHER LOCKHEED DEFENDANTS ARE CURRENTLY AWAITING A HEARING BEFORE THE CONSTITUTIONAL COURT AFTER HAVING BEEN INDICTED BY PARLIAMENT THIS MARCH IN A VOTE THAT FOLLOWED STRICT PARTY LINES. AFTER BRIEF EXPLANATION OF HIS CASE, GUI NOTED THAT HE HAD TAKEN INITIATIVE TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE SEC LAST JANUARY TO ESTABLISH HIS INNOCENCE. HE BELIEVED THAT IT WAS PARTICULARLY SIGNIFICANT THAT LOCKHEED OFFICIAL WILLIAM COWDEN HAD PRESENTED A SWORN AFFIDAVIT TO JEROME LEVINSON, ATTORNEY FOR THE CHURCH COMMITTEE, ON JANUARY 13, 1977 IN WHICH COWDEN DENIED THAT HE HAD DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY INTENDED TO IMPLICATE GUI AS A RECIPIENT OF BRIBES.

2. GUI THEN NOTED THAT HE UNDERSTOOD THAT THE SEC MIGHT REQUIRE LOCKHEED TO DELIVER TO IT THE UNPUBLISHED ANNEX (ALLEGEDLY LISTING THE NAMES OF FOREIGN LOCKHEED RECIPIENTS) OF ITS INVESTIGATIVE REPORT WHICH WAS RELEASED ON MAY 26. GUI SAID THAT IT WOULD BE MOST UNFORTUNATE IF, IN THE LIGHT OF COWDEN'S LATER SWORN  
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TESTIMONY, HIS NAME WERE TO BE INCLUDED IN THE CONTEXT OF ALLEGATIONS RATHER THAN PROVEN FACTS. IN ADDITION, HE UNDERSTOOD THAT THE SEC ITSELF WAS PREPARING A FINAL INVESTIGATIVE REPORT. GUI SAID HIS INTENTION IN VISITING THE AMBASSADOR WAS TO POINT OUT, ON HIS OWN BEHALF BUT ALSO ON BEHALF OF HIS PARTY, THE TREMENDOUS POLITICAL DAMAGE THAT COULD RESULT FOR

THE DEMOCRATIC PARTIES IN ITALY SHOULD ADDITIONAL  
LOCKHEED DOCUMENTS CONTAIN INNUENDOES RATHER THAN  
FACTS. AMBASSADOR ASSURED GUI THAT HE WOULD BRING THESE  
CONCERNS TO THE ATTENTION OF THE DEPARTMENT AND  
INTERESTED USG AGENCIES.

3. COMMENTS: DURING HIS BRIEF CALL, GUI PRESENTED  
HIS VIEWS CALMLY AND WITH FULL APPRECIATION FOR THE  
MANNER IN WHICH USG AGENCIES FUNCTION. HE SAID  
HE HAD NO IDEA WHETHER HIS NAME MIGHT BE INCLUDED  
IN THE UNPUBLISHED LOCKHEED ANNEX, BUT IT IS HIS  
OBVIOUS HOPE THAT THE DEPARTMENT MIGHT EXERCISE ITS  
CONCERN FOR FOREIGN POLICY IMPLICATIONS BY ASSURING  
THAT HEARSAY EVIDENCE AND UNPROVEN ALLEGATIONS NOT BE  
INCLUDED IN ANY MATERIAL THAT THE SEC MIGHT RELEASE. GARDNER

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